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## Speech of Mr. Kennedy, OF INDIANA,

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gon territory.
Mr. KENNEDY addressed the committee as follows: would inevitably lead to war. Now, I submit that this is not a queston of peace or war. The very treaty which these resolutions propose to annul, provides that said treaty may at any time be annulled by either party, giving twelve months notice of their intention to abregate it And has it come to this, that we cannot do what the trea. shall wave over every inch of the American soil. ty stipulates may be done by either party, without incurring the charge of wickedly rushing our country, unprepared, into a needless and desolating war! Sir, I burl back this charge of seeking a war upon those who make it, for I will not believe that war must necessarily grow

But be this as it may, so far as I am concerned, and so far as I understand the feeling and opinions of those whom States. If it does, that fact precludes the question whether peace or war may result from our action or from the occupation of the territory. But it has been said that we have too long slept upon our rights to assert them now in peace. That does not result from our having suffered England jointly to occupy this magnificent territory in common with us, for commercial purposes, for a quarter of a century. This long and peaceable joint tenancy has resulted from the fact that our people were not made acquainted with the strength and clearness of our title. Thousands of the masses-the bone and sinew of the country-have not conned over all the old records and musty treaties in which our record of title is to be found, and learned therefrom its nature or extent; but while they were in doubt or ignorance as to our title, they were willing to see what could be done by diplomacy.

Now the case is aftered, and we have by proofs and arguments that have been laid before us, become satisfied that our title to the whole of Oregon, from 42 deg. to 54 deg. 40 min. north latitude, is "clear and unquestionable." I call upon gentlemen from the South, who go against the notice, to recall the irresistable arguments made, and the clear and inextinguishable light which has been shed upon our title by their "great statesman," before they ask us to surrender one inch of the Oregon territory, which he

the more disgraceful? education we have we received after the labor of the day with the bear-now no common occurrence. We have, maintain and defend our rights, is now to commence; and strong affection we cherish for our wilderness homes, we ing to grasp the steel of strife, and our hearts panting for unbroken chain all the families of man, than the people of the West. We know that our free institutions flourish in the mild and genial atmosphere of peace; but, when it comes to the surrender of the patrimony of our fathersto receding from, or yielding up our just rights upon our own soil, then, we say, peace can no longer be honorable,

dishonorable peace, or honorable war. The honorable member from South Carolina (Mr. Rhett) has warned us against the consequences which may follow a combination of the European monarchies against what they may please to call an effort on our part to push the principles of our free government beyond the boundaries thereof. Sir, we are no propagandists. We do not wish to spread our principles by conquest; we desire to force our institutions upon no people under the sun however much we might be pleased to see all mankind, not only appreciating, but enjoying their inestimable blessings. But when it comes to this, whether we shall plant them upon our own soil, and within our undoubted territorial limits, it is quite another question ; in such a case, we cannot step to count the cost, or look at consequences.

Another honorable gentleman from Virginia (Mr. Hunter) has told us that "before we succeeded in wresting Oregon from England by conquest, we must prepare to chase the British lion around the world in his blood and slaver." Sir, I have no disposition to engage in the chase of such a beast, but this I will say, that if the British, or any other lion, lays down in our path, whilst we are peaceably pursuing our own business, within our own territory, that he will be soon chased from that lair.

tory is still farther from it. If any gentleman here, be he from the North or the South, the East or the West, who believes our title to Oregon is not good, he shall be excused from voting for this notice; but the man that tells me that he believes that Oregon is ours, and still shrinks from asserting our exclusive rights there, will allow me, in all homself in an attitude that will not only make him uncur-

If Oregon be ours, is it not a blasting, withering shame that the cross of St. George should now be floating over There Mr. Simms of Missouri, exclaimed aloud-"Yes,

it is a burning shame, and it will blister our foreheads like the mark set by God upon Cain."] And are we to bear this reproach-and shall a brand

like this be burnt into the foreheads of the sons of the would have been a vassal of the British crown.

through our veins become so pate—has it degenerated so President for having made this proposition, surrounded as soon that in less than one century—and whilst a few, alas! he was by many difficulties and embarrassments, growing mountain in which it takes its rise. Whera, I repeat, believe it is in order to speak of matters and things so few of those noble patriots are still lingering among us

—we are prepared to surrender to the same haughty power, a portion of the glorious legacy achieved by their valor, for fear we may be startled by the sound of their war-

in the possession and occupation of Oregon. Yet, on account of its locality, western gentlemen have frequently been appealed to in relation to it, and western feeling in- should disavow the action of her minister, and now pro- tutions? I repeat, there is no other danger of war grow- ty of nature," and disasters, and described the evils, and described should disavow the action of her minister, and now proquired after. If the West is to be consulted as to the settlement of Oregon—and I believe they ought—I declare it
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United States. They will neither surrender it for fear of dation of the President, and refuse to give the notice; istence of any such right.

though strife must necessarily follow our action. He vindicate our rights thereto?

feel under great obligations to them for their kindness; this subject, I want him, as well as all others who do me but they will be so good, in this matter at least, as to let the honor to listen to my remarks, to understand what I has dissipated this hope; the last twenty years has conmuch better than the gentleman does. He guesses, rifles were all taken, and our riflemen were all killed at contracts having excluded from our Weekly paper much matter which has appeared in the Semi-weekly, we have been induced to issue this supplementary sheet for the benefit man presumed to question the mode, or object to the mode, or object On the resolution of notice to Great Britain to abrogate the convention of joint occupancy relative to the Orest and upon their heads be the consequences. We fer to the distinguished Senator from Missouri, (Mr. the northwest. Why, sir, you may blow up the Mr. KENNEDY addressed the committee as follows:

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tify a resort to arms, and compared it to the once common, and a rise of federal principles, that centralism will grow bloom of youth, bearing upon your front the death-gash the United States, to the great Empire State, the An-

is believed to slumber in the patriot's grave.

struggles have been with the Ladian, and our wrestling would bring upon us national dishonor, and sulject us to have liberty without licentiousness, and order in the abthe charge of base duplicity. If we believe that Oregon sence of law. therefore, left it to our agents to settle the question to is ours, we ought to have courage enough to tell England We have again and again, in the course of this debate corresponding with our New England States upon the whom, by the record, Oregon belongs. This they have so; and that we intended and were prepared to maintain been reminded of the power and greatness of the governdone, and well done. Our part of the task, which is to our rights there by immediate occupancy of the whole ment with which we are likely to come in conflict. I do valley, who have in their possession the garden of the by the remembrance of the deeds of our fathers, and the given. We owe it to ourselves, we owe it to the honor of but I despise this constant vaunting of the greatness of hand to the East Indies through the Pacific chain, the and we shall not hesitate when it comes to the question of have warmed my feet at the same family hearth; with as though a whale had been harpooned.

their father's wrongs. made to the western people as a war-loving and peace-ha- already beginning to eclipse her glory, on her head be the In the House of Representatives, January 30, 1846 .- timation. She will at one time oppose the election of ting people, who delight in blood and carnage, and who consequences; and let those who are not engaged in the On the resolution authorizing the President, and then support him after his election; world; but if we do not, our principles will. Our were anxious by their course to embroit this country in a conflict stand from under, and prepare to hear a crash " as war. Who are those men thus unkindly alluded to and if the ribs of nature broke." unjustly assailed ? They are sons of revolutionary sires, Some gentlemen scoff at what has been called the desand spirits of noble daring, who have cleared the way for tiny of nations - or what is the same thing, the State of the Unionhave gone before you like the pillar of cloud by day and we two centuries ago? We were a handful of Pilgrims follows: of fire by night, rolling back the Indian of the forest to landing upon Plymouth rock, and a small band of cava-Conquest is not our object, and surrendering our terri- give passage to civilization, as the waters of the Red sea liers planted on the sunny sands of the South. From they are on the frontiers, where their instincts and duty broken cloud that skirts the far-off horizon, he now rests House. kindness, to tell him to look to it, that he does not place lead them, upon the very soil designed by Providence as along the shores of the western ocean, ready to take his His good constituents at home had been quietly I do not see South Carolina on that road.

trump, or the raitle of their artillery ? Forbid it, Heaven! ted. And I think I may venture to predict, that such an prairies? Gentlemen have argued this is a western question. It offer will not again be made; and certain I am that, sit- Can it be true, as suggested by the gentleman from (said Mr. W.) will attend to them.

though strife most necessarily follow our action. He says, and says truly, that when the western peoples are once aroused from the strugge, it needs no percepts to present the professions, whilst this joint occupancy lasts? Great once aroused from the strugge, it needs no percepts to present the professions, whilst this joint occupancy lasts? Great once aroused from the strugge, it needs no percepts to present the professions, whilst this joint occupancy lasts? Great once aroused from the strugge, it needs no percepts to present the professions, whilst this joint occupancy lasts? Great once aroused from the strugge, it needs no percepts to present the professions, whilst this joint occupancy lasts? Great once are the western or north great once aroused from the strugge, it needs no percepts to present the professions, whilst this joint occupancy lasts? Great once are the western or north great once aroused from the strugge, it needs no so of the sent that the respitations, whilst this joint occupancy lasts? Great once are the western or north great once are the west of the will of their constituents; and I would use the will of their constituents; and I would say that the structure which that the structure of the western or north great once are the profession of the structure of the profession of the structure of the structure of the profession of the structure of the country; and he (Mr. W.) was as a the place of our profession of the structure of the country; and he (Mr. W.) was assured the western or north great once and th

us of the West determine for ourselves what our best pol- think to be the duty of this government in relation to this vinced the world that our institutions are as stable as time. but I know. I would take his word upon any subject the battle of New Orleans! But we cannot take icy is, and to pursue it! I recollect on a former occasion when there was another question before this body—not a ment of the United States, from the performance of which governments of Europe convinced of the stability of our were ample and mine limited; and he may take my when there was another question before this body—not a ment of the United States, from the period of extending our laws over and taking possession she cannot shrink without dishonor, to see that her institutions, than they are startled by the exhibition of our word when I tell him that he has been grossly misin-transporting British fleets to the lakes, and that we formed. I have never seen a man in the Northwest could never get across to Canada, the British having he was denounced as recreant to the best interests of his in, to share with us in all the privileges and immunities of This is what my friend from Illinois, (Mr. Baker,) whom much trouble to us as to any part of the country. We vanic communication, and blow up the whole of the country, and suspected of secret hostility to the measure. our glorious confederacy. We claim no right to force I hail as a worthy representative of Western Whigs, calls would never wish for war, either for profit or glory. ice. Now, sir, these powder kegs must be all in a I then thought this language unkind and the suspicion unjust to long tried and faithful friends; and therefore our tamily hearth; but we do claim, and will exercise, sentatives of legitimacy in the Old World, for the purpose of making a northwill not repeat or apply them here to our brethren of the South. We went with them then, and, I might almost will relinquish only with our national existence. We do selves in battle array, either singly or collectively, let them in regard to this allegation? Did the gentleman reummate:; our union is complete and glorious; and it of arms, but choose rather the rule of right than of might. cannot, we will not recede. We neither seek for, nor will Benton?) If so, what would become of that gentlenow remains to be seen whether our friends, who then led In the end such a policy will be seen to have been wise; we avoid the conflict; if it comes, we will enter the arena man's hobby, the hard money system, if a war should | zen over again the next night. The British govern-

shall not reproach them; they no doubt do what they and the consequence was, that when she could no longer as heretofore, each crisis in the affairs of nations has the question pending was a declaration of war against the question pending was a declaration of war against the found in the shade acquired by force by the produced men equal to the occasion, so hereafter in every their hesitation and opposition will not deter us from distance under consideration have declared that to pass them charging our duty to our constituents and to our country. on the contrary, accept only those who come voluntarily, the whirlwind and directing the storm."

We will enter the breach alone, and should all but the and from choice. And those who desire admission into And why, after all, should we so much dread this con-West hang back, she alone would feel competent to meet our confederacy need no force to retain them there. Each flict! Death in some form or other is the destiny of all and overcome every emergency; and in peace they will additional State, admitted under such circumstances, adds of Adam's race; life at longest is but a span; this genenot rest until no flag but our own glorious stars and stripes another new and permanent pillar for the defence and or- ration is but dust on the wheel of time. What boots it, yards of the British line, and the occurrence of a war where she will be out of harm's way. hall wave over every inch of the American soil.

Some one, I believe it was the gentleman from South

Another new, and to me a very strange argument, later? Ay; and who, of all that now hear me, would and his property to destruction. Why should he in-Caroline, in speaking of the calamities of war, and the on- against these resolutions is, that if we, by asserting our not rather, when the clangor of Gabriel's trump shall voke a war ! But still (said Mr. W.) I do expect retreat into her impenetrable fastnesses, and there dely causes which would justify a nation in appealing to that rights to Oregon, are unfortunately plunged into a war, summon the pale millions of the dead to the congregation that, in the course of our history, the northwest will, fend her against the world. In the event of a war for diead tribunal said, that wounded honor would slone just the consequence would be, a depression of democratic, of ages, appear in that vast assembly clothed with the at a short day, too, furnish an actual live President of Oregon, will S. Carolina thus creep into her shell?

but now disgraceful, resort to arms between private indi-viduals to wipe out a stain from wounded honor. I think we shall be obliged to make a war for the pur-Ve thank you, (said Mr. W.,) and I will say to the comparison a bad one. Ducling is at best a resort to always to the utmost of my ability opposed centralism, ored age ! deadly conflict, to gratify personal vanity or wounded banks, funded debts, and protective tariffs; indeed it has Against the English people I have no hostile feeling; am well informed as to its feelings, and I speak with trouble her, we will come to her rescue. a represent, this is not a question of peace or war, out a question of right, and I am determined it shall be so treated. Does the territory of Oregon belong to the United and I only reproach them that they do not tear away and I only reproach them that they do not tear away the honorable meant of hase selfishness. War in most cases, when justifiable, is be it known that I am not the man to maintain my politi- those feudal cobwebs which have so long galled their not to secure a great good immediately but remotely.

Cal party in the management of internal affairs, by the limbs, and cast among the lumber of ages, those surrender of external rights. And I now declare in the principles of legitimacy which disgrace the country and our posterity in chains too strong to be broken. Was it presence of this House, and in the face of the world, that age in which they live. But the English government is to avoid the payment of a two-penny tax on tea, which inif it be necessary to the maintenance of our national
duced our fathers to unsheath the sword of the revolurights, and country's honor, that my political opponents
gentleman from South Carolina was evidently misinand its professors to us of the northwest. I had an
formed on that subject. The wheat and other proanswer for the gentleman as to this most untasteful Or was it not rather a resistance to that species of take the reins of government, I am this day willing to without any of its substance. It tears the sinews and egislation and policy, which, if submitted to, would have make to them the surrender-believing, as I from my soul drinks the sweat of its laboring millions to fatten a stall- merly through Canada, but now directly. The north- know his ways, for we have a few of his party in Inmade themselves and their chi'dren instrumen's of British do believe, that in everything that pertains to the honor of fed aristocracy. Our first conflict with England was in west makes as many clear dollars in proportion to her diana. I will waive my answer to him, but will say tyranny, and puppers of a British Parliament ! And can any our country, they are as patriotic as we are, and that our the revolution, which ended in tearing from the British population from the export of her wheat and other to him that my non-slaveholding constituents mean some man compare that noble appeal to the God of differences as to administrative measures, grow out of crown thirteen of its brightest jewels and wringing from products, as South Carolina does from the export of that justice shall be done to the South and its constihattles, to the call one individual may make upon honest differences of opinion, as to what will best promote her stubborn heart the acknowledgment that these coloanother to meet him upon what is called by some our country's weal. But I utterly repudiate the gentle- nies were, and of right ought to be, free, the field of honor-where, in too many instances, man's argument; it is false in theory, and equally false in The second was the war of 1812, which is called the the only monuments left to mark the spot of the bar- fact. Democracy can grow, and has grown, whilst the second war of independence. It humbled the pride of the barous conflict, and to tell of the wrongs inflicted storm of war raged in all its fury; the seeds of democracy British navy, and ended in a blaze of glory on the plains upon the widow and the orphan, is the soil which drank were cast into the earth by the hand of the revolution; of New Orleans, by making thousands of her bravest the victim's blood? Sir, I live in a country where they it was crailled in its storms, and nursed in its fiercest con-neither fight duels, nor sacrifice national rights; but flicts; there and then was the tree of liberty planted; and Western States. The third and last conflict is not yet. where he who falls in the defence of his country's rights the tempests of war only loosened the earth about its No man can doubt but that it will come. When the his-

roots, that it might grow the faster and spread the wider; tory of that war is written, it will record the downfall of Most of th se who go against these resolutions, say that its roots have been plentifully moistened by the warm the British Empire. Fall she must, and fall she will, as they do not design to surrender Oregon, but that they life's blood of those who defended it against the furious sure as Adam fell. She is now standing in the twilight of only wish to settle the question peaceably. "Masterly in- assaults of the wild boar of legitimacy, seeking to whet her glory; and a sharp vision may easily discern, written activity" is the cry of some. Let the convention or his tusks against its inner back. And I tell gentlemen, upon her front, the inscription traced by an invisible hand has so conclusively shown to be ours. Are we to read the treaty stand-have no discussion, and make no question that if it is occasionally moistened by the blood of the pamasterly arguments of John C. Calhoun and James Bu- about it now; but encourage emigration, push your set- triot, honestly shed in its defence, it will not grow a whit As I said before, England's greatness now rests upon the northwest, for we do defend our personal honor, preceded me. Were I to go into a full notice and change, which have made our title to the whole of Orethere to hold forcible possession, then let it be known that West, the whole of the beautiful inland paradise resoun- nage, which gauges her shipping. 'We have already two refuse us our own way of doing this, while he remains the committee, it would consume twenty hours inour surrender of what they have shown clearly to be ours you intend to assert your rights This to me seems ded with the clask of arms, and has not its soil, and even hundred millions, and are now gathering upon her with a consistent advocate of State sovereignty and State stead of one. The little time which is left to me I much like stealing into your own territory, taking advan- ry furlong thereof, been stained with the blood of the the strides of a swift courser. When we pass her, her rights. We of the West are not "bookish" men. What little tage of a pretence of peace to fortify yourselves for war. pioneer and Indian commingling as they fell in deadly downfall by peaceable means will be rapid and sudden. If this view of the subject be right, you will allow me to strife? Will any man tell me that liberty, in its most Oregon is therefore entitled Oregon, I will answer that almost every thing has had been done, in the school of adversity, in the Far say, that although I may not exactly comprehend what is comely and unobtrusive form, does not flourish there? of view. It is the inch of ground upon which we can to establish her own customs and usages. In extreme been said over and over again in the course of the de-West, and almost on the verge of civilization, where our meant by national honor, yet I feel that such a policy Sir, it is the very place where it may be truly said, we place a fulcrum, giving us the lever by which to overturn

territory after the twelve months' notice shall have been not desire to speak harshly of the British government; world and the granary of the universe, will stretch out one our country, to tell England in plain republican terms England. Who, and what is she? The seat of her other to Europe through the Atlantic channel, grasping what we intend to do. I would scorn to take our own power is situated on a little island stuck down in the the trade of the civilized earth as we now hold in posses-

whole of Oregon, they will sink, covered with honorable chastise her for the evils she has inflicted on the human will have to abide its consequences. scars, a rich legacy to their sons who will arise to avenge race. She is old and worn within; the blood of ages stains ber skirts. If she is mad enough to attack the I have been pained to hear, during this debate, allusion young giant of the western world, whose tall shadow is

ishes us to wait until we are prepared for the strife, as acknowledgement, that we do not feel ourselves able to ces which followed, the American revolution, planted deep special interest in this question; and in other quar- harm. According to the gentleman, we shall be very or or one of the strife, as in our soil the tree of liberty.

tion giving the notice to save the country for you." I archs of the Old World to crush us as propagandists. On would finally burst the bands of union, throwing the (said Mr. W.) I live in the Northwest, and I know are our rifles and riflemen? If a loyal subject of

of manufacturing and commercial States on the Pacific

the deadly conflict. No people more highly appreciate upon our cit zens in Oregon. The gentleman from Virmake the nations tremble. All of her greatness now demake the nations tremble. All of her greatness now demake the nations tremble. All of her greatness now demake the nations tremble. All of her greatness now demake the nations tremble. All of her greatness now deor value peace and brotherly love, that should bind in one ginis [Mr. Hunter] predicts, that the effect of a war pends upon her commerce. Clip her wings of that, and, prove, that should bind in one ginis [Mr. Hunter] predicts, that the effect of a war pends upon her commerce. Clip her wings of that, and, prove, that this is no "party question." There sits an ble combatants. In a war with Eugland, it would be sound; and therefore I adopt principally all the views (which he insists will follow the giving this notice) will like the bird of Jove, she falls to the earth a lifeless carcass, aged and venerable man (pointing to Jonn Q. Anams) nigger against cockney. be to put all our citizens in that territory to the sword, or I seek no conflict between my country and Great Britain. of the Whig party who has spoken and will vote with us,

But the gentleman is excusable for knowing little ject; and I have transmitted many of their speeches subject them to the tomahawk and scalping knife of the Let each pursue her path alone, and unmolested by the because he feels it his duty so to do. Whatever may be of the northwest, for he has never been there. No to my constituency, thereby, in the main, endorsing merciles Indian. Let that gentleman calm his fears on other. We will not go out of our way to attack the Bri. said of the hot haste of my vouthful blood, I feel confident one ever emigates from Indiana to South Carolina, their views, and making my own known. that subject; that people will never ask you to stain the tish lion; but if he chooses to lay himself across our path, that whilst I follow the lead of one whose locks are whitfrom either red coat or red skin. I know some of the will be no alternative-the American eagle will strike her rashly. On the other hand, there are some equally repeople of that far-off territory; with some of them I talons into his nostrils, and you will see his blood spout speciable friends on the Democratic side of the House who think duty calls to "inactivity," and therefore will vote them I learned my letters in the same log school house. There is, I repeat, no occasion for war; and there will against Oregon. So I would have it, that the world may and with them have I passed through scenes of hardship and be none, unless the government of Great Britain desire know that this is not a question of a party in America, that old State on many accounts. She has taught us I am not accustomed to deal in poetry, and there-

## Speech of Mr. Wick. OF INDIANA.

cy of the Oregon territory.

He was in a place, he said, in which it had been

a war, nor sell it for a pecuniary consideration. All the will it not be an intimation to the British government and Let us take a short retrospect of the past, in order to however, in courtesy, or, what is better, good nature. forty war-steamers. bayonets of England cannot win, nor the gold of Peru to the world, that Congress does not concur with the expansion of the future. Liberty, failing to find a bayonets of England cannot win, nor the gold of Peru to the world, that Congress does not concur with the expansion of the future. Liberty, failing to find a bayonets of England cannot win, nor the gold of Peru to the world, that Congress does not concur with the expansion of Texas. I am glad to see that we have by an honorable member from South Carolina (Mr. W. continued. Well, let them bring them all But the gentlemen from Alabama (Mr. Yancey) admon- our title to that territory-or yet, a still more humiliating World. The causes which produced, and the consequen- Rhett,) that the West and Northwest had claimed a on, no matter how many, they can do us very little who, although at the late election they considered

ters it seemed to be understood as a western or north- badly off for means of defence or offence, for he says the will of their constituents; and I would not dis-

pose of effecting that object. Living in the West, I South Carolina, that when the northern fanatics shall

from South Carolina had advanced, that those should swear to their belief of the idea suggested by the not hazard a public war-wholesale murder-who do honorable member from Missouri. We in the West not defend their personal honor according to the pecu- do not denounce these men, but rather laugh at them, liar fashion adopted in some parts of the world, be- and at their utter failure to propagate their Union-decause, they say, that tends to murder, I will say that stroying principles. But, sir, I can devote no more the gentleman is mistaken, if he applies it to us of time to answering the remarks of those who have

cases, sir, according to our custom, two gentlemen bate. I am not careful whether or not my opinions lock themselves up in a room in the third story, and will be deemed heretical on this subject, when I say then proceed to assert their personal honor; and he that I am for Oregon and against a war; but for Orethat jumps out of the window, at the end of a half-hour, carrying with him the ears, eyes, noses, &c., I adopt (said Mr. W.) the opinion of the venerable belonging to both is the victor. That, sir, is our gentleman from Massachusetts, (Mr. Adams,) and of code; and when the whole world. (I mean the civil- the chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations, ized world,) shall adopt it, we will fight the whole (Mr. INGERSOLL,) as to the proper construction of the world according to that system for Oregon, or on any convention of 1827-to wit : that it is a commercial will define the means for subsistance of the whole human family. Other point. In the event of the universal adoption treaty, stipulating for a joint occupancy for the purfurther of jected to for fear it may being dire calamities grasp in all the shores; but still she is not so terrible as to There is in this discussion, to me, a new and very agree- of this mode, the non-voting constituents of the hon-

South Carolina is always rather eccentric, in our es- be most signally outdone.

their inheritance, they will remain in peace and quiet, giv- last plunge, and leave the graves of his fathers, to be visi- enjoying the Christmas holidays, eating their ducks I now turn my attention to my democratic whigh time. rent coin among his constituents, but neglect a duty, the ing you no trouble, and making no unnecessary demands ted no more forever. Is there no destiny in this? Is not and turkeys, or pursuing their ordinary avocations, friend from Illinois, (Mr. Baker,) who had asked the We started at the late election with our principles non-performance of which he will deeply regret during the upon your government. But I warn you from the consethe finger of God as plainly seen as when he first set in and were perfectly unconscious that their representasupporters of Mr. Polk to reconcile our clear and unquences of an effort to stop their onward progress. Do heavens the star of Bethlehem? The man who sees it tive here had for the last two or three weeks exhibitnot let the British get possession of Oregon, and block up not must be either blind or infidel.

It is said by some that we do not need the Oregon terms a desk, crouched like a catamount watching for prey, after making such an assertion of our title, could offlight. Should you do it, and thereby turn back into the valritory for purposes of settlement. This is a great mistake; and waiting for the moment to spring forward, at the fer a compromise. I do not find in the message that when we come to the vote on the Oregon question. ley of the Great West those whose disposition and choice it is to mingle in border scenes of hardship and suffering, you way introduce into our society an element that may tumble it into ruins, as did Samson the temple of Dagon when he seized its pillars at the city of Gaza.

There is a great mistace, and waiting for the moment to spring forward, at the cross the west moment to spring forward, at the cross the distinct of the west moment to spring forward, at the cross the distinct of the west moment to spring forward, at the cross the distinct of the west moment to spring forward, at the cross the distinct of the west moment to spring forward, at the cross the distinct of the west moment to spring forward, at the cross the distinct of the west moment to spring forward, at the cross the distinct of the west moment to spring forward, at the cross the distinct of the west moment to spring for the moment What is our exact position in relation to this matter? life. Thirty years from that time, visit them again; know the difficulty here is, not to make a speech, but part of the territory to which our right should be asmay provoke a war !. Suppose your fathers, of glorious The President, during last summer, made a proposition to and instead of two, you find in the same family to obtain the floor for the purpose of making one. msy provoke a war i. Suppose your fathers, of glorious revolutionary memory, had been thus timid—suppose that before they commenced that struggle for liberty, they had been thus timid—suppose that before they commenced that struggle for liberty, they had been thus timid—suppose that before they commenced that struggle for liberty, they had been thus timid—suppose that parallel of latitude. This offer was rejected by the British to divide the Oregon territory on the 49th twenty-two. This is what I call the American multiplication table. Multiply this next generation by the British to divide the Oregon territory on the 49th twenty-two. This is what I call the American multiplication table. Multiply this next generation by the British to divide the Oregon territory on the 49th twenty-two. This is what I call the American multiplication table. Multiply this next generation by the British to look around us to hunt up republicans. I see publication table. We will make a proposition to divide the Oregon territory on the 49th twenty-two. This is what I call the American multiplication table. We will make a proposition to divide the Oregon territory on the 49th twenty-two. This is what I call the American multiplication table. We will make a proposition to the following the foll as gentlemen say, counted the cost, had numbered the ish Minister without a reference to his government, and this table, and where, without Oregon, will you find rejoicing over, for everything had been said that could upon this subject by the action of his predecessors, to democrats and whigs are sending up their prayers ships and bayonets of their insolent oppressors, where was as promptly withdrawn by the Executive, who now perfectly ex- offer the 49th parallel not as a right, but as a comwould you have been, Mr. Chairman I Instead of presid- frankly tells us, that, in his opinion, no offer of com- multiplying mass of humanity have their faces to- hausted. There was not an infinitesmal point which promise, for the sake of peace—so his message tells or. I am glad to see that, on this truly American ing, as you now do, over an American Congress, you promise that this government ought to accept, will be wards the setting sun. "Westward ho!" is the cry; had not been made the subject of a long speech; and us. Will a Clay man reprehend him for this, when question, our political opponents here instructed by made by England; and, therefore, this notice, in his opinand you can no more stop them this side the shores of the
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bate to which no direct answer had been made, and I, and has more strongly denied the American rights the tariff of 1842. I hear of a drag on that point, of there, than any British statesman or negotiator has some impracticable Pennsylvanians who will not sus-While we are engaged here in deliberating upon a subject concerning our foreign relations—the most definition of this country is interested, and deeply interested, and deeply interested.

northwest has so much and so long admired him; for, must deal in young volcanoes, and import some small as the honorable gentleman from South Carolina says, specimens of the infernal regions to keep the lakes an era of war is always an era of paper money.

Does the gentleman refer to a distinguished citizen learn from the honorable gentleman that South Caro-

Rhett, I that we in the northwest have nothing to lose and an invasion by the black regiments from the by a war, as we export nothing, whereas the South West Indies. The southern gentlemen have preferred would lose the market for her cotton. The honorable to answer him. They had better leave the one idea ducts of the northwest found its way to England, for- development of his one idea. We in the northwest derstood in Liverpool, and London, and Charleston, subject, lest it should disturb the harmony of the as is the price of cotton. We sell our produce wher- Union, that they are ready to do full and ample jusever it is wanted-to England, when her starving tice to the South. If I should endorse what was said population require it, and to South Carolina, when her by the honorable member from Missouri-viz: that cotton and rice crops are good, and her terrapin crop the gentleman's wish was father to his thought-my non-slaveholding constituents would believe me; and In reference to the sentiment which the gentleman were they to read his (Mr. G.'s) speech, they would will devote to the consideration of the question; and The gentleman cannot gainsay that Indiana, for if I am asked why my speech contains no more about

of gentlemen who had spoken on this side of the sub-

escutchion of this government in order to protect them and refuses to remove at a peaceful summons, then there but many emigrants from South Carolina come among to claim all the continent, upon the principle of manius, and tell us all about it; and they had taken occa- fest destiny urged by the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. sion to tell us of the manifold merits and great BAKER) and my transcendental friend from Pennsyl-

suffering in the uncultivated wilds of the West, that have fitted them for every enterprise however hazardous, and every
danger however threatening. They went to Oregon with

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show the committee that duty calls, and interest points, to their eyes open; and all they ask of you is, to untie the decline, as she arose, by degrees, no conflict will come. I cannot, I will not, swallowed it, and loved the dose. We admire South and bad, applicable or not, and whether new or old fetters which this treaty of joint occupancy has thrown If, on the other hand, it is her destiny to pay in blood the doubt but that the House will respond affirmatively. This Carolina, also, for her talented sons. We admire her acquaintances. So in regard to all the declarations around their manly limbs. This is all they ask at your debt of blood she owes the world, then I have no objection is the war feeling and the only war feeling and the only war feeling in the West. honorable bearing. We acknowledge her right to which have been made in the debate against the hands; and should they fall in asserting our right to the to belong to the nation and to live in the age that shall If war must come, let it come; and those who provoke it second from the Union, and will give her, or any oth- abominations of the British government: I adopt er discontented State, a pass for that purpose. But we the whole of them, and, moreover, I hope that their do not recognize her right to remain in the Union, authors will consider that, after having done their and yet nullify the laws of the Union. The course of best, were I to launch out on that subject, they would

the notice of the termination of the joint occupan- and then at another time she will contribute to elect principles are extending all over the world. The last a President, and then oppose his administration. We war did much to extend them, and another will ex-The House being in committee of the whole on the think she sometimes has carried her views of State tend them further. We have seen gradual encroachvou into the heart of this magnificent empire. They Providence of God in the affairs of men. Sir, where were to nullify the laws of the United States; and that in her the Old World, and we have witnessed the concessovereignty a leetle too far-to wit, when she affected ment on the monopolies and governmental abuses of political course she is a leetle too South Carolinaish. But sions made by them to popular rights. Lately we one thing we will say for South Carolina: we will ex- have witnessed the yielding of British ministers to the were rolled back by the Great Jehovah to give passage to this small beginning, and in this short time, what have we justly remarked that one could neither speak nor cuse her and her politicians from the charge of any progress of liberal principles; and oh! how grudgthe children of Israel; and however scornfully you may become? We have advanced by steady and peaceful treat them, or whatever estimate you may place upon strides covering the continent with independent and inthem, I verily believe they are as pure and as patriotic as dustrious citizens, following up the red man foot by feot, should undertake the task of speaking, and, strange also at the late election to Texas and Oregon, and now rights and popular self-government becoming gradualthe citizens of any other portion of this Union. While driving him from haunt to haunt, until, like a small and as it might seem, not for Buncombe, but for this it pointed to Oregon alone; and there is no other ly known to the world. The ultimate triumph of our way by which the executive mansion can be reached. principles, such as progressive democracy will make them, is sure, and it will come in God's own good

more delighted to see the party to which I belong a

in a few months after. But you cannot repeal the